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TO: Procurement Directors
FROM: Office of Procurement and Assistance Policy, MA-51
Office of Procurement and Assistance Management

SUBJECT: Acquisition Letter (AL) 2001-04
Acquisition Letter (AL) 2000-10R

SUMMARY: **Acquisition Letter (AL) 2001-04**

This Flash summarizes Acquisition Letter (AL) 2001-04, issued August 22, 2001, which provides guidance to Department of Energy personnel on the implementation of Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended. The AL addresses specific DOE implementation, as summarized in the following areas:



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- ✓ Ensures that contracts awarded on or after June 25, 2001, include customary technical refreshment and/or technical obsolescence clauses making certain that products and/or services comply with the standards under Section 508;
- ✓ Provides market research tools to support procurement professionals providing assistance to the requiring official; and
- ✓ Clearly emphasizes the requiring official's responsibility in terms of performing market research and identifying product compliance, documenting non-availability, and documenting undue burden.

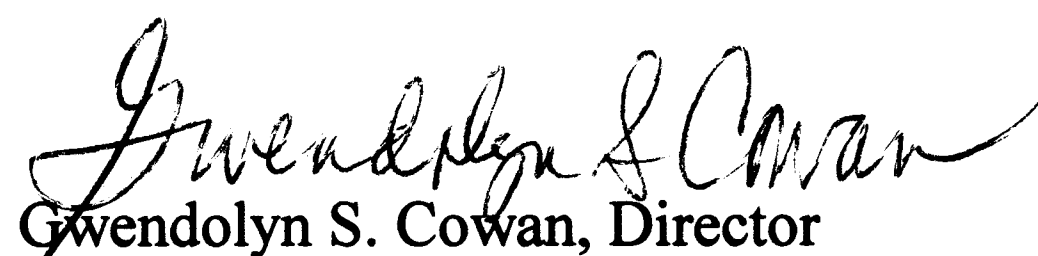
This AL has been reviewed by the Field Management Council and has been approved by the Deputy Secretary for release.

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Acquisition Letter (AL) 2000-10R

Acquisition Letter (AL) 2000-10 contained a FAR Class Deviation which excludes the Service Contract Act for certain commercial item subcontracts. The Class Deviation was implemented pursuant to the Secretary of Labor's temporary exemption at 65 FR 45903. A revision to AL 2000-10 was issued to extend the class deviation through July 26, 2002, or until the policy is addressed in the FAR. AL 2000-10R was issued August 16, 2001.

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